

REMARKS

First, Applicants thank the Examiner for discussing this case with Applicants' representative on October 22, 2007. A Statement of Substance of Interview is enclosed herewith.

Claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13-16 and 18-21 are all the claims pending in the present application, claims 5, 13 and 17 having been canceled as indicated herein. Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 1, 3, 4, 7, 11, 12, 15, 16, and 19-21 are allowed. This case is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters: claims 5-6, 13-14 and 17-18 are objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(c) as being of improper dependent form by failing to further limit the subject matter of a previous claim.

With respect to claims 5, 13 and 17, Applicants cancel these claims without prejudice or disclaimer.

With respect to claim 6, as indicated in the Examiner's Interview Summary, the Examiner agrees that claim 6 is not the same as claim 1 since claim 6 specifically recites that a frequency of the vibration is modulated to a range of 20 Hz to 1 kHz (emphasis added). Therefore, claim 6 further limits the subject matter of claim 1. Accordingly, the Examiner agreed to withdraw the objection to claim 6.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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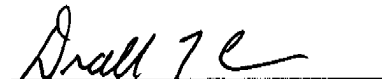
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